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ROSS LITTLE, SOCIETY STEUART, ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN VENUE FOR 2003 AGM... ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SET FOR DENVER, COLORADO, AUG. 9 & 10

SACRAMENTO, CA—(by Ross Little). After extensive discussion amongst the Society board members, it has been decided to move the site for the 2003 AGM from Atlanta, GA to Denver, CO. Several board members had indicated that they would be able to travel to Denver but not be able to make the trip to Atlanta.

Plans are to have the AGM as part of the Denver Games, scheduled for the weekend of August 9th & 10th. Lavina Little, Rocky Mountain Region Commissioner, has agreed to make all arrangements with the Denver Games and will provide information to the Society on area motels/hotels and restaurants.

The meeting itself is scheduled for Sunday, August 10th at 9 AM at the Society tent at the Games.

All offices of the Society will be up for election, with the new term beginning at the AGM. If you haven't already, please fill out and send in the nomination card sent to you by Ross Little, Society Steuart. Also, please consider volunteering for one of the appointed positions or to be a convener at a Scottish/Highland Games in your area.

See you at the AGM.

SOCIETY HAS NEW QUARTERMASTER

MARYSVILLE, KS —Marty West, former Mid-West Region Commissioner, has stepped forward to assume the Quartermaster position from retiring Harry Fiske. Marty's contact info can be found on the back cover. The Society can be proud of the tremendous work done by Harry during his tenure. Please join your Society administration in thanking Harry for his wonderful past work and in welcoming Marty in his new position.



Enumclaw Highland Games. *Fr. Row, L-R:* Ellen Conn (Gig Harbor, WA), Brendlyne Campbell, Ceilidh Campbell, Cordette Campbell (all Tacoma, WA), Salley Little (Canon Beach, OR), Iris Little (Mason Lake, WA). *Bk. Row, L-R:* Bill Conn (Gig Harbor, WA), Kevin Campbell (Tacoma, WA), Frank Little (Canon Beach, OR), Mavis Pfeiffer (Ravensdale, WA), Richard Holt (Pasco, WA), Don Pfeiffer (Ravensdale, WA), Don Little, Drew Little, Sarah Bowers (all Aberdeen, WA).

SIXTH ANNUAL HAGGIS DINNER PART OF ENUMCLAW GAMES

ENUMCLAW, WA—The Sixth Annual CLSNA Haggis Dinner and BBQ was held in August 2002 at Kanasket-Palmer State Park preceding the Enumclaw Highland Games. The first Haggis Dinner was held in 1997 at the home of Richard Holt, past Society president, and has been held annually at various locations ever since.

Traditions are beginning to become established with each succeeding year. Kevin Campbell reads Robert Burns' "Ode to the Haggis" preceding the meal. The Don Little family fires up the BBQ and cooks the steaks and hot dogs. And everybody pitches in with the setup and clean up.

NOMINATIONS DUE FOR 2003 SOCIETY ELECTED POSITIONS

SACRAMENTO, CA—(by Ross Little) By now, all Society members should have received a card for nominations for Society officers and appointed positions. Please give some thought to the possibility of standing for one of the elected offices or volunteering for one of the appointed positions. Also, consider becoming a convener in your area. Even if you don't have the time to volunteer for some of the more time-consuming positions, being a convener is a natural if you are a regular attendee at any Highland Game in your area. The Society can help with tents, banners, and supplies. Use the nomination card to show your interest.

EDITOR'S COLUMN

WEST LINN, OR—Here we are, late into October, and The Reiver is still on the composing stone.

The Lytle family all participated in the Portland Highland Games this past July. Unfortunately, we neglected to take along the camera. The Games were shortened to a single day again this year, and attendance seemed to be down from what we've experienced over the last four or five years.

The last half of July and first half of August were taken up by a college interview trip back East. Peter and I put over 5,000 miles on our rental car and went from St. Andrews Presbyterian College in North Carolina to Harvard in Boston, and many schools in between. We gained in appreciation of our mild, Pacific Northwest weather, as it was over 100 degrees for all but two days of our trip, and the humidity never dropped below 90%.

One highlight of our trip was finding and walking on a segment of the Great Shamokin Path on a steep hillside outside of my hometown of Sunbury, PA. Due to development and large-scale road removal, etc., the path is no longer accessible by ordinary means. The path was one of several used by the Five Nations in NY State to get through Pennsylvania to the Carolinas on their frequent raiding parties against the Catawbas and Cherokees. We also visited the Donegal Springs Presbyterian Church outside of Mt. Joy, PA where my gggg-grandfather is buried and discovered the restored ancestral home of my ggggg-uncle, Nathaniel Lytle.

In September, Peter played bagpipes in three memorial services for the victims of the 9-11 terrorist attacks. He opted for a black suit instead of Scottish attire, and chose our own Society tie as his only display of color. At the evening service sponsored by the many police, fire, and rescue departments throughout Clackamas County, Peter sat with and met the President of the International Society of Fire Chiefs.

The response of Society members to our call for pictures and stories has been gratifying. Keep up the good work, and keep those cards and letters (and photos) coming.

Chuck, Lynn, and Peter Lytle

Stewart's Herald

by Ross Little

SACRAMENTO, CA—Greetings to all members and friends from your Stewart. The following information is a report about the tartan that your Society has purchased and is offering for sale. A survey was made of Society members asking what they wished from the Society, and one item was, "Where can we purchase the official CLSNA tartan?" At the 1999 AGM, the Board voted to purchase tartan material, known as the JC Little of Morton Rig Tartan, in 10-oz and 13-oz weights to have on hand to be sold AT COST to Society members and friends. Phyllis M.J. Little agreed to be the tartan distributor. We are a non-profit Society, and we have agreed to sell this material at or near our cost, plus postage. The first shipment was not purchased directly from the mill, and thus we had to pay a higher rate because of the small amount of yardage. We also had to pay extra in taxes. We have now been purchasing directly from the mill and in quantities large enough to get a good price break. We now avoid the value added tax, but still have to pay shipping and import duty.

13-oz Material: In March 2002 we purchased a new batch of 63.5 yards. After all the shipping charges and duty taxes were applied, the material is offered at \$40/yard. The 13-oz material is called "Braeriach, is double width (58-59 inches), 100% new wool, with 6 inches between repeats. The material is suitable for trews, kilts, and some lady's heavier garments. It is heavy enough to hang properly, and looks good when made into kilts. We recommend purchasing the material from the Society and having your kilt made by a good kilt-maker in this country. One that we recommend and who will work with us is J. Higgins, PO Box 14341, Lenexa, KS 66295-4341. On the web at www.jhiggins.net; phone (800)426-7268. I have talked to them a number of times and have found them very friendly and helpful. They do excellent work.

10-oz Material: We have purchased several batches of this weight, which is referred to as "Reiver" material. It is double width (58-59 inches), 100% new wool, with 4.5 inches between repeats. It is offered at \$30/yard. This material is not recommended for trews or men's kilts. It IS ideal for lady's skirts and dresses, sashes, scarves, shawls, vests, ties, and children's garments. It is this material from which Society member Mrs. Ruby Little Spannaus makes all the tartan items that the Society offers for sale.

Many of us purchased our kilts from one of the vendors at various Scottish games, and I have been well satisfied with mine. However, now that we have on hand a supply of the 13-oz tartan material, I urge you to take advantage of the savings and purchase your material from the Society and then have your kilts made in this country.

We do enjoy hearing from you with photographs and bits of information that we can pass on to others by placing it in the Reiver. Also, please tell us what you would like to happen within your Society so we can do a better job of meeting your needs and wishes. Also, please give our Nominating Chair suggested names for new leaders and officers for the Society.

Thanks to all who have read over the proposed amendment to the by-laws and sent in comments. We will answer each one and deal with them accordingly.

Aye, Ross



Payson City, UT Games, July 2002. Dan Maker, convener, (far right) gets major help from (L-R) Deco & Caleb Maker and Cathy & Sagan Morin.

NEWS FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION



David Liddell, NE Region Commissioner, at the Long Island, NY Games in August 2002. A great-looking display using Society-supplied materials!



William and Joseph Litel and the Campbell Games in California. Bill is the Society Convener for Stockton, CA and reports that Scott Little of Texas and David Lytle of Tennessee (who participated in the heavy games) were also present. Note three different spellings at a single event!

DENVER, CO—(by Lavina Little)
The Rocky Mountain Region held its second annual Clan Little luncheon in June 2002 in Denver. Both Colorado and Wyoming members were in attendance. We were delighted to have our two new Wyoming members, Jed and Julie Porter, with us. Besides getting more acquainted, members scrutinized Lavina's family genealogy books (put together on the Family Tree-maker program) and the Clan society membership roster. Also discussed was the annual general meeting to be held next year. Some members also purchased Clan Society tartan items that we hope will be worn April 6th each year for National Tartan Day as well as at Clan Society functions and highland games.

The Society had its first tent in the region in July at the games at Payson City, UT. Lavina Maker was home with a sick child, but member Cathy Morin helped Dan Maker to make the event a success. See the picture from the Payson event on Page 2. Also note Lavina's award picture at right for Best Clan Exhibit!



Lavina Little with her "Best Clan Exhibit" award from her display at the Rocky Mtn. Highland Games, Denver, CO, August 11, 2002.



Rocky Mtn. Annual Luncheon, June 29, 2002. L-R: Irene Little, Steve Little, Jean Taylor, Betty Cox, Ann Brodie, Julie Porter, Jed Porter, Lavina Little.

Clan Little Society North America
Jewelry Order Form

Item	Price Each	Quantity	Total
Cap Badge	\$15.00	-----	-----
Pendant & Chain	\$15.00	-----	-----
Kilt Pin	\$15.00	-----	-----
Reiver Lapel Pin	\$ 5.00	-----	-----
S&H Postage			\$ 1.00
TOTAL			

Make Check payable to Clan Little Society NA
Mail your check and order form to:
Marty A. West, Quartermaster
Clan Little Society NA
203 S. 8th Street
Marysville, KS, 66508-1907
Tel: (785) 562-3325

Send ordered items to:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, _____
State & Zip _____ | _____ | _____
Tel. Number. (_____) _____ - _____

ADVANCE HOLIDAY SALE

From now through January 2003

ADVANCE HOLIDAY SALE
10/1/200 Through 1/31/2003
ORDER FORM

ITEM	COST	Quantity	Value
Yardage 10-oz	\$25.00	_____	_____
Yardage 13-oz	\$35.00	_____	_____
Sash 11 x 90	\$25.00	_____	_____
Scarf 9 x 58	\$15.00	_____	_____
Scarf 5.5 x 43	\$10.00	_____	_____
Man's tie	\$20.00	_____	_____
Bow tie	\$10.00	_____	_____
Rosettes	\$ 5.00	_____	_____

Add Shipping charges:
Tartan Yardage 1 to 3 yards = \$4.00 _____
4 + yards = \$8.00 _____
Custom items add \$1.00 to each order _____
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Make Checks out to **Clan Little Society NA**
Send your check and the completed order form to:
Mrs. Phyllis M.J. Little
Clan Little Society N.A.
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Sacramento, CA 9582-1643
Tel. (916) 446-3909

Address where you want your order shipped:
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Please! Send US funds only!
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USE THE ABOVE COUPONS TO ORDER YOUR CLAN JEWELRY AND TARTAN MATERIAL. SEE THE STEUART'S HERALD ON PAGE TWO FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE TWO WEIGHTS AND THEIR USES.



Dorothy Fiske, Ellen Conn, and Robert Lytle at the Pleasanton Games, CA in the summer of 2001.



Heavy Games competitor David Lytle (far right) with Bill and Joseph Litel and Scot Little at the Campbell Games in California.

FUNDS RECEIVED FOR CLAN LITTLE WINDOW AT RESTORED BORDERS CHURCH... UPCOMING BORDERS TOUR TO COINCIDE WITH DEDICATION

MORTON RIG, SCOTLAND—As many of you know from the mailing from Society Steuart Ross Little, Dr. Johnnie Little has been spear-heading the effort to fund a window to be installed as part of the restoration effort of the Westerkirk parish church in Bentpath on the River Esk in the heart of the Little ancestral lands.

As we go to press, sufficient funds have been secured. Due to space restrictions, there is only room for the Arms granted by the Lord Lyon in 1997 to the original Clan Little Society. However, there will be a framed document noting the CLSNA as a major donor. Again, due to space, instead of a list of individual donors, the list will be of the 104 Littles named in the Act of Parliament of 1585.

In writing about this Act in a letter to Ross Little, Dr. Johnnie noted, "I have not heard of any other document that identifies the individual men of the Eskdale clans, and where each lived four centuries ago in reiving times. My goal is to perpetuate the names and residences of these 126 Border Littles of long ago in a framed list to be fixed on the wall below the window."

Dr. Johnnie wrote later that "there is to be a grand opening ceremony sometime in the Spring when all is ready. I hope then to greet members...over from North America."

Don't know how to get to The Borders? Your best bet is to book the upcoming tour hosted by Society member Lavina Little. The tour will be for five days, May 26-30 and will cover the sights of the Little area of The Borders and more. Castles, keeps, and battle sites abound in the Borders, and the tour will be packed with places and memorials pertinent to the history of the Little Clan. And, as a bonus, every effort will be made to include the dedication of the Clan Little window. Getting to meet and talk with Dr. Johnnie in Dumfries will be worth the entire trip. And don't forget to try the haggis at The Reiver's Rest in Langholm.

Dig out the separate mailing on the tour and sign up now, as spaces will fill quickly. For information, call Lavina Little at (303)477-9752.



The Pleasanton Games in California always draw large crowds, and the Clan Little Society is always well-represented. The summer of 2002 was no exception, as the above photo will attest. Note that all ages turned out to enjoy the Games and spread the word about our ever-growing Society. The Society officers and membership at large always appreciate the efforts of Conveners and helpers in setting up the tents, greeting passers-by, and handing out literature and membership applications. If you've been attending a Games in your area, give consideration to becoming an official Convenor. You'll have lots of fun doing it, you'll meet lots of interesting people, and the Society will appreciate it. (And, you just might get your picture in The Reiver!)



News from Oklahoma: Pictured L-R are Arch, Christie, Dorothy, and Roy Little. Arch and Dorothy are now Life Members of the Society, and Roy and Christie are new members. Welcome to Roy and Christie and congratulations to Arch and Dorothy!

How to contact your Society Officers. Below is a list of Society elected and appointed officers. Please contact them with questions or comments about the Society.

Elected Officers **Steuart (President):** Ross Little, 4819 S. Land Park Drive, Sacramento, CA 95822-1643. Ph: (916)446-3909. Fax: (916)446-4945. E-mail: ralwcomish@aol.com.
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Northeast. David M. Liddell, 373 Floral Lane, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663. Ph: (201)794-9334.
Mid Central. John Little, 209 W. Durham St., Broken Arrow, OK. Ph: (918)449-8541. E-mail: jellen@webzone.net.
South Central. Don Lytle, 125 Beta Drive, Lafayette, LA 70506-3923. Ph: (318)981-2308. E-mail: donlytl@juno.com.
Rocky Mountain. Lavina Little, P.O. Box 481193, Denver, CO 80248. Ph: (303)477-9752.
South West. Ross Little (see above).
South East. Richard R. Little, 1780 Hymor Dr., Deland, FL. Ph: (386)736-4398.

Conveners **Fresno, CA.** Karla L. Little, 2319 E. School Court, Visalia, CA 93292-2609. Ph: (559)734-1289. E-mail: ploobr@lightspeed.net.
Mariposa CA. Janet D. Cathey, P.O. Box 248, Cathey's Valley, CA 95306-0248. Ph: (209)374-3464.
Arizona. James K. Litel, 2727 S. Enchanted Hills Drive, Tucson, AZ 85713-4527. Ph: (520)623-8558.
Washington. Ellen M. Conn (see above).
Oregon. Charles R. Lytle (see above).
Stockton, CA. Bill Litel, 2303 Porter Way, Stockton, CA 95207. Ph: (209)957-6778.
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